

Oceanography, Commercial Fisheries News, Marine Performance News and several other oceanographic publications.

Mr. Bussmann was a charter member of the Marine Technology Society and a charter member of the National Ocean Industries Association. He was the sponsor of three highly coveted professional and industry awards presented by the Marine Technology Society: Compass Distinguished Achievement Award, Compass Industrial Award, and Compass International Award. He was a former chairman of the government/business science and technology information committee of American Business Press Incorporation as well as a member of Board of Directors and Trustee, Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution Inc., a major research organization of Fort Pierce, Florida. In October 1998 the Charles H. Bussmann Dormitory was named in his honor by the organization. Mr. Bussmann was also charter member of the National Ocean Industries Association where he sponsored the highly-coveted Safety In Seas Award, which is presented annually.

As the Vice President of The Advisory Commission on the Protection of the Sea (ACOPS), I have worked closely over the past several years with Mr. Bussmann and known personally of his dedication to improving the oceanographic industry through his vast knowledge of the environment. All who knew Mr. Bussmann are grateful that they had the chance to work with him and sincerely mourn his passing. I extend my deepest sympathies to his family.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bussmann was a true champion of the ocean industry. The oceanographic/marine communities owe him a great debt of gratitude for his extraordinary work in joining research with industry to make our marine environment better for all mankind.

IN HONOR OF JAMES DOUGLAS
BURGER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 16, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Mr. James Douglas Burger, of Fairview Park, Ohio, who graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy on June 25th, 1999.

Mr. Burger was selected to be among the special few to attend the prestigious Academy to become a member of its 197th graduating class. The Academy's facilities and faculty are acknowledged as world leaders in law enforcement training. Its rigorous eleven week course provides one of the premier training programs and prepares its graduates for bright futures in law enforcement.

The graduates of the FBI National Academy set the standard for integrity, commitment, and expertise throughout the law enforcement community. I am proud to have a member of my district join these elite few in protecting the borders of civilized society.

My fellow colleagues, join me in recognizing Mr. Burger's achievement and we wish him much success in the future.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ALBERT RUSSELL WYNN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 16, 1999

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, on July 14, 1999, I missed rollcall votes 284 to 296. On July 15, 1999, I missed rollcall vote No. 300. My absence was due to a family emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall votes 287, 289, 292 and "aye" on votes 284, 285, 286, 288, 290, 291, 293, 294, 295, 296, and 300.

TRIBUTE TO WILMER "WILL"
BOTTERBUSH

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 16, 1999

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to remember Wilmer "Will" Botterbush of Godfrey, Illinois who passed away unexpectedly on July 14th.

Wil was among the most committed and dedicated public servants that I have known. He was active in local government, the small business community, the Boy Scouts and most importantly he was a dedicated father and friend.

His son Ray Botterbush said, "the village of Godfrey and its citizens were always foremost in his mind."

While it's hard to disagree with that statement, it was clear to me and anyone who met him that first and foremost in Wil's mind was his family, especially his three sons, Ray, Kevin and Tim.

The Godfrey community has lost one of its most renowned public servants and I have lost a good friend. Yet while we mourn his loss, we should remember that Wil Botterbush's legacy lives on in three equally dedicated and talented young men. Wil Botterbush's contributions to his community will continue for generations to come through the lives of his sons and grandsons.

LEON EASTMOND

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 16, 1999

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an important New York small businessman, Leon Eastmond who is the owner of an honorable seventy year old New York City based corporation specializing in manufacturing boilers, steel storage tanks, fuel tank maintenance. His company EASCO Boiler Corporation performs excavations of underground fuel oil tanks and his employees are trained in procedures for handling hazardous materials including contaminated soil, working in confined spaces and cleaning up oil spills.

EASCO currently covers the five boroughs of New York City and both Nassau and Suffolk

counties maintaining a fully stocked warehouse facility to serve their customers with state of the art combustion equipment with parts and service available twenty four hours a day, three hundred sixty five days a year.

Leon Eastmond is an amazing businessman, but he doesn't limit his help to his company or his employees, but instead, seizes every opportunity to make young people aware that self employment is an exciting option. He has joined the Fernando Mateo Institute and has given talks at Evander Childs and George Washington High Schools. He has been a guest lecturer at the Graduate School of Business at Columbia University and has met with their Minority Student Club on several occasions.

Leo realizes that it is important for young people of all races and socio economic levels to meet success oriented black and other minority adults. Mr. Eastmond believes if we start young enough, people will learn to share information and network across all color lines. He truly serves as an inspiration. This is a person who was born and raised in a system that did not deal him a full deck of cards, but he has made the most of it. Moreover, in an effort to help young people turn their lives around, Leon has talked with young adult inmates at Rikers Island and given them hope that there are business people willing to offer them a job and a "Second Change." He now has one former inmate working as a welder's helper.

Mr. Speaker, Leon Eastmond sponsors six Little League Softball teams; the Black Leadership Commission on AIDS and contributes to the United Negro College Fund, the New York Urban League, the Special Olympics, Promesa, the United Jewish Appeal and the Alvin Alley Dance Company. He has a PhD. In life and I commend Mr. Eastmond's achievements to my colleagues' attention.

CONGRATULATING THE BIA ON
THEIR 10TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 16, 1999

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Building Industry Association (BIA) on their 10th anniversary of business. Over the past decade, the BIA has had a positive impact on the home building industry.

The Building Industry Association of Tulare and Kings Counties was chartered by the National Association of Home Builders on May 21, 1989. With the efforts of a few visionary builders who wanted to provide a united voice through advocacy for home building and related construction entities the BIA was formed. The Association which received its state and federal non-profit status in June of 1989 is governed by elected officers and a Board of Directors while the day to day operations and administration are coordinated by a professional staff.

BIA's membership of builders, developers, subcontractors, and associated businesses is dedicated to protecting and promoting the